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DES Regulations

Regulations have been approved under the Feeding Stuffs Act to regulate the sale in Canada of medicated feeds, particularly beef cattle feeds containing diethylstilbestrol. This is frequently referred to as DES or Stilbestrol which is a hormone like material. Its advantages for feeding to mature beef cattle are claimed to be an increase in rate of gain and a saving in feed consumption.

The food and drug directorate of the Department of National Health and Welfare has now received evidence that the feeding of DES in the fattening of beef cattle, under controlled conditions and with restricted amounts, does not endanger the consumer, from the standpoint of public health and fraud. Evidence shows that if the amount of Des fed is limited, no residue can be detected in the meat. Evidence of its safety for use in the feeding of poultry and other live stock has not been received by the Food and Drug Directorate.

The manufacture and initial sale of Des will be under the regulations of the food and drugs act. Very little of the material is required per ton of beef cattle feed and because of the difficulty in mixing such small quantity, only pharmaceutical firms authorized by the Food and Directorate may sell it, and then only if the form of a premix for inclusion in feeds controlled under the feeding stuffs act.

Under the new regulations of the feeding stuffs act which will be administered by the Plant Products Division of the Department of Agriculture, all beef cattle feeds containing DES must be registered under the act and will be subject to control conditions necessary to permit release of the material for beef feeding without danger to human health.

A feed containing DES, in addition to the normal label required under the Act, must show a guarantee of the quantity of Des it contains in per cent by weight. Directions for its use must be on the label, giving the pounds per day of the supplement containing it to be fed per animal weighing 600 pounds or over. Information must also be on the label cautioning the feeder to discontinue feeding DES at least 48 hours before the animal is to be marketed or slaughtered, in order to rid the animal tissues of any possible DES residues; and a further caution against feeding DES to breeding stock or milking cows, or allowing swine, particularly breeding stock, to follow beef animals because of possible DES content in the droppings. The feed available to beef producers will be for feeding at the rate of one to two pounds per head per day.

Legion W.A. held Regular Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the United Church W.A. was held Thursday evening of last week in the church.

President Mrs. Herd opened the meeting with a short prayer, repeating the Lord's prayer and creed in unison and singing of the theme song. The roll call was answered by 23 members and one visitor. A very fine devotional was read by Mrs. Holton. The usual business was dealt with, correspondence read and bills voted to be paid.

Anyone having clothing or articles suitable to send in the Korean relief please leave at the following places: Herd's Store, Red and White and Shoprite.

Arrangements for the annual Mother's Day Tea, sale of plants and bake sale was started. Posters will be placed in windows soon. After the business part of the meeting was finished a social time was enjoyed over a tasty lunch.

Illustrating the worm that turns a man in Saskatchewan stood beating from his wife for several months then rebelled tied her to a bed tattooed her artistically in six colors then ran away.

News Items of Local Interest

Mrs. Forest House of Arrowwood, won the top prize of \$80 at the Legion bingo Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Ferguson of Cardston spent several days last week in town visiting friends.

Albert Scaife, the local insurance man, is at present ill and is in the Bassano hospital. His business is being looked after by Jack Downie of Calgary.

James Wild, Indian agent of the Hobbema Indian Reserve is taking charge of the Blackfoot Indian Reserve office here. Mr. Pugh who has been agent here for some years is being transferred to the Sarcee Reserve with offices in Calgary.

The staff of the Blackfoot Reserve met recently at the home of Superintendent and Mrs. W. P. Pugh to honor Rev Fr. A. Charron of Cluny who is being moved to Edmonton where he will act as bursar for the Oblate Fathers in that city. Fr Charron was presented with a brief case by Mr. Pugh who expressed his appreciation for the friendship shown by him in his work at the Crowfoot school and for training the Indian boys in athletics.

Miss J. M. Eberly was the guest of her friend, Mrs. J. Austin, of Calgary recently. While there she called on relatives and friends and also did a little sight seeing.

Mrs. J. Gleddie accompanied her mother, Mrs. Jacobson, to Lethbridge by train on the latter's return home to Enchant after spending the winter months here. Her son met her in Lethbridge. Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Gleddie and family visited relatives in Medicine Hat.

Miss Betty Lewis was home for a recent weekend, but unfortunately all the family was ill with colds which she developed too. She regretted she was unable to see many of her friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Menard and children, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Dalglish of Grand Prairie, Alta., who have been visiting relatives and friends in town left for their homes Monday morning. Raymond is a great booster for the Peace River country and should be made a publicity agent for that country. Mr. Dalglish has a horse ranch near Grand Prairie and supplies horses and pack horses for oil companies prospecting for oil and big game hunters. His business calls for a lot of horses. He is a lover of animals and while here purchased eight beautiful pintos from Hugh Wilson the well known horseman. These particular horses Mr Dalglish intends to use for pets around his home. He expects to move the horses north sometime within the next week or so.

Ted Krause returned last week from the vicinity of Keg River, Alberta, where he spent the winter using his caterpillar tractor to build roads for oil well drilling outfits who wanted to move their equipment in before the muskeg thawed out. He had extraordinary luck in that he was able to run all winter night and day with no breakdowns to his machinery. Since he came home he has been to the house for a few days through illness.

The man chased the train to the end of the platform, but failed to catch it. As he walked slowly back, mopping his brow, an onlooker remarked: "Miss the train?" "Oh, not much" was the reply. "You see I never got to know it very well."

The reams of eloquent verse written each spring can hardly be attributed to inspiration from humans. The muddy fields which, overnight, become emerald carpets are the magic handiwork of nature. The bursting buds which make every tree an admired debutante and the multi-hued flowers pushing through the sunwarmed soil are nature's creations. In fact, about the only unsightly things we see about us in spring, right there

would jar the creativeness of any poet are man-made: drab, soot-grimed houses, grey weather beaten out-buildings, broken down fences, rubbish, weed infested yards and roadways. While such eyesores are evident in towns they can also be seen in many rural areas, but spread over more square miles. Man, however, is trying to do something about them. In Canada each spring an annual beautification campaign is conducted urging citizens to clean up their properties.

The Gleichen curlers were not very lucky at the mixed 'spiel' held in Calgary for the best part of last week. The three rinks did not win any prizes but they all report having had a good time and a fine holiday.

On April 29th there is going to be a reduction in the passenger train service through Gleichen. The morning, train eastbound, will only run three times a week. It will leave Calgary 7:10 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, arriving here at 8:45 a.m. The west bound trains will arrive in Gleichen at 7:50 p.m., Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Sgt. J. Roueche of the R.C.A.F. and his wife spent the weekend in town visiting relatives and friends. He is now located in Vulcan.

"So you have to run home as usual?" scoffed one of the group as a timid looking little man rose to leave. "What are you, a man or a mouse?" "A man of course," replied the little fellow with dignity. "What makes you so sure?" demanded the other. "Because," he explained, "my wife is afraid of a mouse."

"You are insufferable!" exclaimed his wife as they were changing for dinner. "All the time you talk about your furniture, your car, your house, your son. Why don't you say our? But what's the use of talking to you; you're not listening! What are you looking for now?" "Our trousers, darling our trousers."

THE WORLD OF WHEAT

Producers must feel frustrated at times as they face price depressing surpluses of farm products and at the same time hear oft repeated statement that "as long as there are hungry people in the world, there is no surplus." The problem unfortunately, is not an easy one to solve. Ever since FAO came into being and first laid its plans in 1946, it has concerned itself with food consumption levels throughout the world and its basic function has been to improve the standards of production and consumption in the less developed countries. In the field of production, a great deal has been achieved, particularly in those countries which employ highly developed agricultural methods. This, no doubt, was the reason that the majority of speakers at a recent FAO conference suggested that, in future, the organization must give as much attention to expanding consumption as to expanding production.

Since 1953 the gap between well-developed and under-developed countries has widened, principally due to the limited purchasing power of the latter. However, it is recognized that food "give-away" programs are merely temporary expedients which cannot solve the basic problem and that the real need is for increased trade between nations which would stimulate industrial development and provide more productive employment in the 'have not' areas. One thing seems certain there is no magic formula for the elimination of either food surpluses or malnutrition where ever these conditions exist and these very difficult problems will continue to tax the imagination and resourcefulness of those concerned with bringing about a balanced improvement in world agriculture.

Legion Annual Vimy Banquet

The Legion held their annual Vimy celebration Tuesday evening in their hall with about a hundred people present. Song and story and cards filled the program. There were visitors from Calgary namely: J. Eglice, Scotty Gove Mr. and Mrs. Bob Barrett and Miss Peggy Bogstie and from Bassano Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Brown. Mr. Brown was at one time operator at the station here. Present were fourteen veterans who had fought at Vimy. There are 34 First War veterans in the district who belong to the Legion. The piano music was supplied by Jimmy Eglice and Bob Barret while Mr. Strum of Arrowwood accompanied on the mandolin. B. Brown led the singing during early part of the evening being followed by Mrs. Collins, Allen Quennell sang a song that stole the show. Short speeches were made by H. Brown, S. Gove, Padre W. Morrison U. A. Jones P. Sahara and Tom Bates. Mr. Bates is leaving for Ireland in a short time and expects to visit Vimy Ridge. At midnight a banquet of turkey sandwiches was served after which singing continued until one thirty. In a couple of months time the veterans of the Second War will show their stuff by staging a banquet and all that goes with it.

Marriage is the final ambition of 82 percent of all girls up to the age of 35 in the business world, according to a research bureau which has been investigating the subject. It also disclosed that their activities and earnings in the business lead these girls to higher standards of living after marriage. Habits of thrift acquired early in the employed woman's life are reflected in increased family income, with better homes, better food, clothing, automobiles and opportunities for travel. Manufacturers study and adopt themselves to this situation says the bureau and study factors in home improvement. It has been found that of 762 gainful occupations in Canada, women are employed in all but 35. Yet in spite of the independence which their employment gives, most of them would look with favor upon matrimony and would continue to earn money after marriage. Fortunately for mere man women are like that.

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GARDEN NOTES—

Bigger lots give gardener greater scope for displays

Most of the new house-building has been on much bigger lots, giving the gardener an opportunity to have real displays of some of the gorgeous, showy flowers that the plant breeders have brought to perfection in recent years. For such situations, very large beds, solidly planted with petunias, zinnias, spider plants, cosmos or dozens of other annuals, are most suitable. Virtually all of these things are easily grown either from seed directly sown outdoors or transplanted from beds specially prepared and sown just as soon as the weather has turned warm and there is little danger of any more frost.

Summer cottages, too, can have these large massed beds of flowers simply by planting a few packets of seeds in shallow flats and later taking the same to the cottage

and transplanting them into permanent quarters.

There is nothing more striking in the larger gardens, or along the driveway leading to cottage or home than these big beds of flowers either in solid colors of one variety, or of mixtures of various flowers of approximately the same height. In these larger beds we space fairly well to permit easy and early cultivation and we do not try to rush the season.

What we are aiming at is a big splash of color and a garden, which after the first few cultivations will practically look after itself. Solid beds of zinnias, marigolds, petunias, nasturtiums, are particularly effective and we can use either single varieties or mixtures of about the same mature height. This massed planting of flowers, is also a good idea to use in between newly planted shrubbery which will not require full room for a year or two.

Spread them out

There is no reason at all why the vegetable garden should not be producing abundantly from early June right through until hard frost in the fall. The main thing is to spread out the planting. Instead of sowing the whole packet of carrots or beets or beans at one time, we put in a third of the supply a little earlier than usual, another third about the regular time and then save a third for from two to three weeks later than normal.

To further spread the harvest, experienced gardeners will often use early, medium and late varieties of the same vegetable, so that there is always something just reaching the peak of tender quality. One of the greatest mistakes any home gardener can make is to sow the whole vegetable plot on the first fine afternoon. If he does he will have more than he can eat for a few weeks then a regular famine.

Short cuts

The experienced gardener uses all sorts of tricks for getting ahead of his neighbors. He doesn't, of course, risk all his seed or plants this way, but just a few for extra early results. For example in the vegetable garden he may make a few small hills, a foot or so in diameter of very rich soil. In these he will plant a few melon or cucumber seeds, a few early type tomatoes and other things. The rich, open soil will attract lots of sun and to increase the heat and protect from late frosts one may cover with paper of glass, or special waxed paper or plastic covers which act as miniature greenhouses. To further speed growth along, one waters well and adds a bit of quick acting fertilizer.

Another short cut is possible by using plants that have been well started in a greenhouse or hot bed or even in flats in some sunny window. This is a regular practice, of course, with many things like petunias, asters, tomatoes and cabbage. But one can also extend it to almost anything in the vegetable line for extra early production. Some people plant a few melon seeds in an egg shell filled with fine soil or a berry box, then when the weather turns warm plant the whole thing outside.

Atomic peanuts bigger, better
Atomic energy has helped to produce bigger and better peanuts. In 1949 the North Carolina State College planted 60,000 seeds which had been exposed to atomic radiation, and although the plants differed greatly from the normal, seeds were taken from them and planted for the following year's crop. Careful labelling and note-taking traced the development of these irradiated plants from generation to generation.

Some strains proved completely resistant to the leaf-spot disease which was destroying the foliage on untreated plants adjoining them. Other strains had pods of a size and shape well suited to mechanical harvesting, while another variety produced a third more pods than the best strain of peanuts previously known.

As a result a species may now be developed which is free from disease and bears 30 percent more peanuts than before. These remarkable achievements are being duplicated in research on other food crops which are likely to mean more and better food.

New program for square dancers

A new Saskatchewan produced radio program "Square Dance Note Book" will be aired over most Saskatchewan radio stations commencing 21 and 22 of March.

Square Dance Note Book features the latest recordings — as they are released — of six major recording companies — Hoedown, MacGregor, Old Timer, Sets-In-Order, Western Jubilee, Windsor — interspersed with up-to-the-minute information and notes from the Square Dancing world, such as: where and when Saskatchewan Square Dance Clubs meet, location and date of Square Dance festivals in the province, itinerary of visiting callers, location and date of Square Dance Camps in Canada and the United States.

Noreen Wilson, long time Square Dance enthusiast who has helped in the formation of numerous square dance clubs, and has assisted in instructing various groups will M.C. the program. Noreen has recently returned from Sets-In-Order Institute at Asilomar, California, where she gained valuable insight into the latest square dancing trends which she will pass on to her listening audience.

The tremendous growth and interest in Square Dancing in Canada and the United States, with a corresponding popularity in Saskatchewan, plus the cultural aspect in this form of recreation, in which young and old alike participate — has prompted Saskatchewan Power Corporation to sponsor this new, interesting, informative, and entertaining half-hour program.

Saskatchewan Power Corporation invites and would appreciate Square Dance Clubs to forward information on the location and dates of any events they are planning, so that they may be aired. Also, the Saskatchewan Power Corporation will endeavour to give square dancing information to all enthusiasts, whether they be experienced, or just beginning.

Inside details on Queen's hats

PARIS.—For you, ladies—inside details on the Queen's hats, by her milliner, Madame Claude St. Cyr, of Paris.

Several times a year Madame goes over to Buckingham Palace — she was just back when interviewed.

The Queen, it seems, just can't choose any hat she pleases like you and Hedda Hopper. She has to wear her hair longer than she'd like because of the crown and tiaras she has to put on for state occasions. And the latest rage in Paris — down-to-the-eyebrow hats are out. The Queen has to let her face be seen in public—the folks in the street expect it of her.

Duke has no say
Does the Duke of Edinburgh have any say in what the Queen shall wear?

"No, certainly not," says Madame. "When the Queen tries on her hats it's a very private affair — just herself, me and her personal maid."

Madame St. Cyr has one regret. Women all over the world would cheerfully hock all their husbands' pay cheques for a chance to wear her hats. But her 10-year-old daughter Christine can have all this for free. Madame designs special models for her. And does Christine wear them. Like most 10-year-olds—she does not, if she can get out of it.

SMILE OF THE WEEK

The sergeant glared at an undersized, sharp-eyed rookie and demanded, "You there, what's the first thing you do when you clean a rifle?"

"Look at the serial number," was the immediate reply.

"The serial number!" roared the sergeant. "Why?"

"To make certain," explained the rookie, "that I'm cleaning my own rifle."

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by Anne Adams

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Pattern 4649: Girls' Sizes 6, 8, 10, 12, 14. Size 10 dress and bolero take 3 3/4 yards 35-inch fabric; 1/2 yard contrast.

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PATTERN 314

lises and three designs for flower boxes. As tracing patterns are required only for the shaped parts space has been found on the pattern for directions to make the door-side seats and an interesting garden gate that is easy to make. The pattern is rich in detail for the "do-it-yourself" builder. Price of pattern 314 is 35c.



This pattern is taped on the wood and the saw lines are traced out the blank figures for cutting. To get the alert expressions which make this group so attractive the exact shape and position of each spot of color is also traced. This method is to make sure of a realistic effect in the finished project. This will appeal to anyone who likes to work with color and watch the plain wood come to life as each color is added. When making these figures in quantity, a silk-screen printing frame saves time in decorating. Pattern 400 shows how to make frame and directions for use. Numbers 308 and 400 are 35c each. Both are included in the Lawn and Garden Figures Packet at \$1.50 postpaid.

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TRY AND STOP ME!

By BENNETT CERY

Ray Henberry was walking down the Rue de Rivoli in Paris with a friend when a taxi driver sounded his squeaky little horn. The friend jumped as though a round of buckshot just had caught him in the sit-spot. Noting Henberry's surprise, he explained, "My wife ran away with a French auto man two years ago. Every time I hear one of those horns blow I'm afraid he's bringing her back."

We're looking forward to the picnic season. It makes us appreciate the long winter months when you can eat indoors.

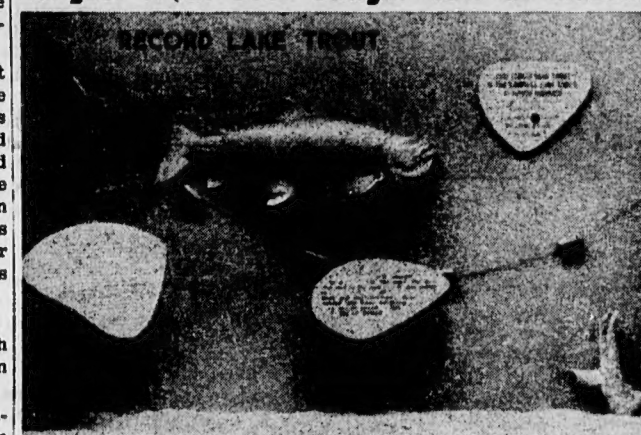
An all-day sucker is a fellow who believes every commercial he hears on the radio.

A party of hunters finally talked their faithful cook, old Mose, into going with them while they tracked down a huge grizzly. "All right, I'll go," he conceded reluctantly, "but if you gets wrestling with that bear, and you looks 'round and don't see nobody—that's me."

A minister, lecturing to his Sunday school class on the necessity for keeping the body just as clean as the mind, held up a bar of soap to emphasize his point. "Oh, oh!" whispered one disillusioned young student. "Here comes the commercial!"

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Largest trout ever caught now at museum



REGINA. — The largest lake trout ever taken in North America now is on display in the lower gallery of the Saskatchewan Museum of Natural History.

Dr. Robert W. Nero, assistant director of the museum, said that the trout, which weighed 80 pounds, eight ounces, measured 49 inches in length and had a girth of 40 inches, was estimated by size to be between 50 and 60 years old.

The giant trout, a female of the Crivomer namaycush species, was taken by employees of the commercial fishing company McGinnis Products Ltd., of Edmonton, in a gill net in Lake Athabasca on September 11, 1955.

Dr. Nero said the life-like reproduction was made from a rubber mold which was prepared shortly after the frozen fish arrived at the museum.

He explained that museum technicians no longer attempt to preserve and mount the actual skin, since it usually suffers some distortion due to drying and shrinkage. The painted plaster cast is an exact duplicate of the actual specimen.

Tips on lawn weed killers

Here are some pointers for using selective weed killers on your lawn.

DON'T mix stronger solutions than the manufacturers directions suggest.

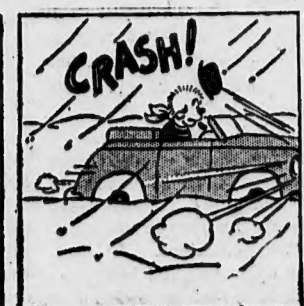
DON'T flood the lawn with the material; merely dampening the leaves is enough.

DON'T let weed killers come in contact with your ornamentals.

DON'T apply just after mowing.

DON'T fail to wash your sprayer well after using weed killer in it.

BOZO



By Foxo Reardon

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Who will become bride of Crown Prince? -- national guessing game in Japan

The forthcoming wedding of the prince and the commoner has all Japan agog. But the couple on whom the country's attention is now focussed is not Prince Rainier and Grace Kelly, according to a story by Jay Axelbank of North American Newspaper Alliance.

The question on everybody's lips there is "who will be the lucky girl to win the hand of Crown Prince Akihito?"

The 22-year-old prince will one day succeed his father as emperor of Japan and the selection of his future bride is now under way at the palace. There is talk there that a commoner is included among the prospective candidates.

Palace sources have promised that the selection will probably be announced in the near future. Japanese newspapers have assigned their top reporters full-time to the job of ending the national guessing game. For many feel the selec-

tion has already been made and is known to the prince.

Heightening interest is the fact that the crown prince may have some say about who he will marry for the first time in Japanese history. Twenty years ago it would have been unthinkable for a prince to have a voice in the decision, but the younger generation in Japan is more and more throwing off the shackles of arranged marriages.

May make own choice

Observers believe it likely that as a compromise the prince will be permitted to make a final choice from among four or five suitable

girls selected by the imperial household.

Even though the prince will "meet" the bride-to-be only after his mother and father have approved the choice of palace officials, sources close to the throne say Akihito won't be dictated to, but rather will have to be persuaded. In fact he may make the choice himself.

When Emperor Hirohito married, he didn't know who his mate would be until the last moment. The royal household screened applicants until the present empress, Yoshiko Kuni, was chosen. The emperor then accepted her as his bride.

A majority of Japanese agree that the young prince should have a part in choosing his wife, according to newspaper polls.

But nevertheless, it's a foregone conclusion that the future empress won't be a cinderella. She'll have at least some royal blood in her veins or come from an old and mighty family tree.

Prince Akihito is a healthy, five-foot-five, sports-loving (table tennis is one of his favorites), average college student. He lives "alone" in a mansion three miles from the imperial palace grounds in downtown Tokyo. In residence with him are doctors, tutors and court officials.

In the classroom the prince is no intellectual ball of fire. But when the teacher calls upon him, he is usually well prepared and gives an adequate account of himself.

Prince Akihito is a "regular guy". He has been known to sit in the back of the classroom and ask students to screen him from the professor's gaze so he could read a favorite book during the lecture. In his early college days when he lived in a dormitory, he joined in student pranks without hesitation.

Prince Akihito is forbidden to drive his car in the city limits of Tokyo. But not because he might wrap the car around a pole. The police fear the sight of Japan's most eligible bachelor might tie up traffic.

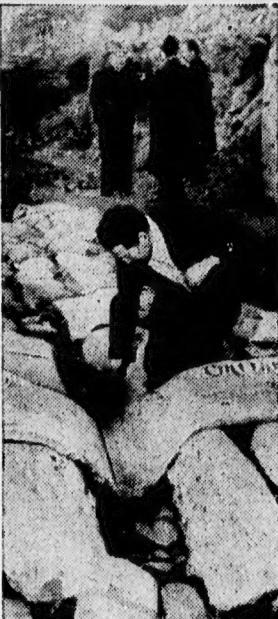
A girl classmate recently said of the prince:

"Even if he were not the crown prince, he would still make a wonderful boy friend to go around with." Actually the prince has done very little dating, as it is not a custom among young Japanese. The future bride will probably have to be a pretty girl, according to a tutor who instructed Japan's future emperor from the age of 12 to 17. "The prince has a sharp eye for beauty," she said. "She must be intelligent and also good natured," she continued, "because the prince enjoys delightful and interesting conversation."

But this throws no light on the future empress. The guessing game will go on till the official announcement is made and feminine hearts stop fluttering.

HMM . . . INTERESTING

The British House of Commons has 640 members, compared with 435 members in the U.S. house of representatives.



NOTHING NEW—Harried road commissioners of today can gain rock-bottom comfort from this picture. Some togaed official of Caesar Augustus was in all probability reviled for this ruttled paving. Deep-worn by chariot wheels, it was uncovered at the Porta Magiore in Rome.



SAP'S RUNNING—The best maple syrup comes with clean up-to-date equipment, frequent collection of the sap to prevent fermentation, and rapid boiling-down. Here is the first operation—boring the hole in the tree trunk to a depth of about 1½ inches. The sap-spout or spile is driven into the hole and the bucket is hung on the spout. The bucket lid is an aid to cleanliness. Sap run depends on the weather; frosty nights and sunny days are excellent. Weather naturally influences the total value of the crop which in a good year will be as high as \$12 million. The average is \$8 million.

Prices for high grade forage crop seed higher this year

REGINA.—The 1956 spring forage crop program sponsored by the plant industry branch of the provincial department of agriculture has been announced.

The program, which was started in 1947 to encourage farmers to improve pastures, build feed reserves and protect soils, will again offer high grade seed to interested parties at cost. Charges for bagging, handling and shipping are borne by the department. Prices this year will be slightly higher than in 1955.

Twenty-six thousand orders for about four and a half million pounds of grass seed have been filled by the branch, since the program's inception, from which 450,000 acres in the province have been seeded to forage crops. The best year was experienced in 1955 when 5,400 orders for 800,000 pounds of seed went out to Saskatchewan farmers and stockmen. In that record year alone, enough seed to sow 94,000 acres was sent out.

Indications are that farmers will sow a substantially greater acreage to grasses in 1956 than in the previous year, the minister said, because of an increasing awareness of the value of the program's many aspects. More farmers now realize what grass can do for their farms, and this factor coupled with the difficult wheat situation and a hard, fodder-short winter point toward an even greater year for the program in 1956.

Adequate supplies of both Grimm and Ladak alfalfa will be available this spring along with brome, crested wheat grass, tall wheat grass and sweet clover, and mixtures. In past years Ladak alfalfa has been in short supply.

Price lists covering all seeds and mixtures available may be obtained from agricultural representative and municipal offices as well as from wheat pool field service-men and at creameries in the province.

"Past experience has shown that a stable livestock industry is dependent primarily on adequate fodder reserves," said Mr. Nolle, and the forage crop program allows farmers and ranchers a means to establish such reserves."

A FAMILY OF PAIN

Arthritis is not one single disease but a group of the rheumatic diseases characterized by inflammation of the joints. More than 200 varieties have been classified, including sciatica, neuritis, lumbago and muscular rheumatism, as well as the arthritic conditions. Each case requires individual expert diagnosis and modern medical treatment.

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NURSES WANTED

"REGISTERED NURSES OR GRADUATE Nurses eligible for registration wanted for medical, surgical, obstetrical wards, and operating room scrub nurses, and Nurses' Aides with some experience. New wing opening in the near future. For detailed information, write: Superintendent of Nurses, Union Hospital, Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, S4C-3186-87."

Funny and Otherwise

"See that big fellow over there?" said Jones to his friend at the bar. "He was a famous shark fisherman. His specialty was sticking his right arm into the shark's mouth to remove the hook. The oldtimers used to call him 'Fearless!'"

"Used to? What do they call him now?"

"Lefty!"

It was one of those associations of ideas Army tests where the examining officer makes a common-place gesture and asks the recruit to fire back at him the first thought it provoked. On this occasion he waved a handkerchief.

First two men gave the formal reply: "Waving goodbye, sir." But the third offered the startling retort: "Women, sir."

"Women!" echoed the officer. "What is there about waving a handkerchief that could possibly make you think of women?"

Replied the recruit blandly: "I'm always thinking of women, sir."

He: "Tell me those three words I love to hear."

She: "O million dollars."

"Mama, may I go out and play?"

"What? With those holes in your socks?"

"No, with the kids across the street."

The little man was applying to the court for a separation on the ground of cruelty.

"Can you give the court an illustration of the alleged cruelty?" asked the judge.

"Well, the other night I dreamt I won \$150,000 in a football pool, and the following morning my wife nearly killed me for not rushing out of the house and putting it into the bank before I woke up."

Action!

Mrs. J. Q. Kendrick of Stillwater, Okla., became cold while sitting in the family car waiting for her husband. She decided to start the car and turn on the heater. The auto jumped the curb, bowled over a parking meter, crashed through a plate glass window and sent furniture spinning as it rolled across a showroom. Her husband was knocked down by a flying chair.

The filbert nut is the fruit of the hazel tree.

Strictly Fresh

The plumber rang the doorbell, and nine-year-old Warren responded. "I've come to fix that old tub in the kitchen," he explained. "Ma," called Warren, "the doctor's come to see Aunt Emma."

If the Easter bunny leaves chocolate eggs in the easy chair



again this year, daddy is going to have hasenpfeffer for supper Easter evening.

Sow bargain basement grass seed in April and reap wild oats all summer.

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Scall 1½ c. milk, ¼ c. granulated sugar, 2 tps. salt and 5 tbs. shortening; stir in 1 c. crisp breakfast-bran cereal and cool to lukewarm. Meanwhile, measure into a large bowl ½ c. lukewarm water, 2 tps. granulated sugar; stir until sugar is dissolved. Sprinkle with 2 envelopes Fleischmann's Active Dry Yeast. Let stand 10 minutes THEN stir well. Add cooled milk mixture and stir in 2 well-beaten eggs. Sit together twice 4 c. once-sifted bread flour, 3 tps. ground cinnamon, 1 tsp. grated nutmeg. Stir about half of this mixture into yeast mixture; beat until smooth. Mix in 1 c. seedless raisins and ¼ c. chopped candied peels. Work in remaining flour mixture. Grease top of dough. Cover and set in warm place, free from draught. Let rise until doubled in bulk. Turn out on lightly-floured board and knead until smooth and elastic. Divide into 2 equal portions; cut each portion into 12 equal-size pieces; knead each piece into a smooth round bun. Place well apart, on greased cookie sheets and cross each bun with narrow strips of pastry, if desired. Grease tops. Cover and let rise until doubled in bulk. Bake in a hot oven, 425°, 18-20 mins. Glaze hot buns by brushing them lightly with corn syrup. Other treatments: Use confectioners' icing for crowns on baked buns . . . or spread cooled buns with white icing and make crosses with chopped nuts.



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Town & District

Mrs. Bridgewater and her infant daughter have returned home from Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Knelson and family have returned to town from Cranbrook, B. C. They plan to remain here for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Leith of Vauxhall were weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Hunter.

N. A. Riddell is at present in the Bassano hospital recovering from an operation.

Mrs. L. Henry who is on the staff at Conquerville School, near Bow Island visited relatives and friends in the district during the past week.

Mrs. E. Holland underwent an operation last week and is recovering in a Calgary hospital.

Last Wednesday was Indian pay day. The fourteen hundred or so Indians on the reserve received some \$40,000. The stores remained open Wednesday afternoon to accommodate the Indians who were in town by the hundreds.

DEATHS

ARKELL — At Calgary, Alfred Daniel, beloved husband of Mrs. Florence Arkell, Cluny, and loving father of Mrs. Dorothy Wallace, Edmonton, grandfather of Mrs. Grace Patton, and great grandfather of Michael, Rose and Paul Patton, Calgary. Services conducted by Rev. P. V. R. Pennant will be held in St. Andrew's Church Gleichen, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

ARE FARMS TOO BIG IN THIS COUNTRY

"What big farms people have out here! Do they need all that land? This comment was made by a visitor to Gleichen who lives in eastern Canada. This comment is often heard by visitors and it is hard to ignore it.

When people from more thickly populated areas visit the west, they view the sparse settlement and the immense farms not so much with admiration as with doubt. If the land is as fertile as claimed, and it apparently is, why should any man desire such a great acreage, they ask. Why burden himself

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with the great taxation involved, and the heavy losses entailed in poor years? In short why multiply his troubles.

These visitors rightly or wrongly think the district generally, and consequently the province and the dominion, would be much better off if there were smaller acreages and more homes. A larger population would lighten the burden of taxes for individuals. It would probably result in more mixed farming, and probably also better farming.

Although the motor car has greatly reduced distances, one can realize that this country could never impress visitors by its 'homeyness'. While there are many attractive rural homes they are for the most part far apart, and quite a proportion of the places give the impression of being merely temporary dwelling places, rather than a beloved and cared for permanency.

More people and smaller farms would undoubtedly stimulate town business and would lead to better facilities available in the town. It would also make possible more rural advantages. The larger population would bring a greater need for all manner of farm produce.

Those who are convinced that one of our problems is too much land with too few people on it, see value in close settlement schemes. They believe in purchasing land in areas already settled and bringing a larger population to the country, has practical merit. It would stimulate every line of industry and would also within narrow spheres stimulate community life and business in the areas selected under this plan.

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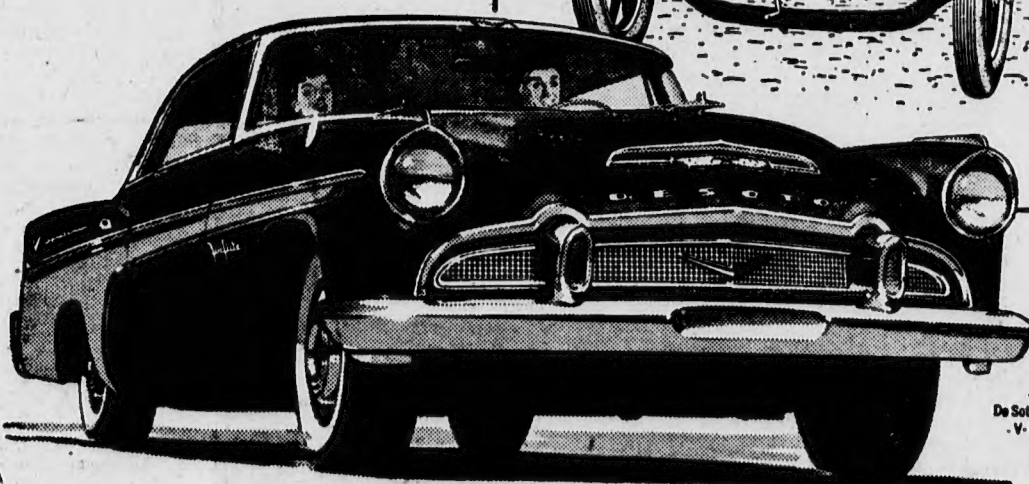
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